

Kent Vietnam Veterans to unveil Gold Star Memorial on Veterans Day

Kent Co. Chapter 850, Vietnam Veterans of America's Veterans Day ceremony will include the dedication of a unique memorial to Delaware Gold Star Mothers and Families of all generations. The ceremony will take place on Monday, Nov. 12, at 2 p.m. at the Kent County Veterans Park on S. Little Creek Road, Dover. In the event of inclement weather, it will be moved into the Kent County administration building at 555 Bay Road.

Included will be clergy, representatives from the city of Dover and Kent County, Dover AFB, the Gold Star Mothers organization and a recent Gold Star family, who will place their son's brick at the new memorial. The memorial incorporates a gold star and a timeless quote by Abraham Lincoln.

Delaware Veterans Coalition President Dave Skocik will serve as event emcee and introduce Chap. 850 Treasurer Jim Schilling, who will provide a vocal tribute.

The Dover Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol will present the colors. Lori Christensen will sing the National Anthem and 14-year-old Brooke Tucker will play Taps at the conclusion.

Major General Frank Vavala, Delaware's adjutant general, will serve as keynote speaker with the dedication of the memorial to follow.

The ceremony is open to the public. Some seating will be provided but attendees are encouraged to bring a folding chair. The chapter is financing the project through the sale of named bricks from individuals and organizations. See

www.DelawareVVA.com for information or call 302-697-8384.